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In re application of: Adolfsen et. al.

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For: Method and Apparatus for Controlling a Stream of Liquid Test Packages in a Capsule Chemistry System

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time to reply to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2001. Please charge the fee (\$890.00) pursuant 37 C.F.R.§ 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-3370.

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